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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Attn: Patrick Forster, Senior Engineer - Policy Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau

Re: Valley Telecommunications Company, Inc.

Fourth Quarter 2002 TTY Status Report - CC Docket No. 94-102

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Valley Telecommunications Company, Inc. hereby submits its quarterly TTY status report for the fourth quarter, 2002, pursuant *to* the Commission's directive in the *Fourth Report and Order* (released December 14, 2000) and Order (released June 28, 2002) in this docket.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions or concerns.

John Kuykendall
Terri Granison

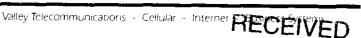
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In the Matter of Revision of the Commission's Rules to Ensure Compatibility with Enhanced 911 Emergency Calling Systems, Order, CC Docket 94-102, para. 24 (rel. June 28, 2002) (Commission requiring that quarter reports continue for carriers seeking additional time).



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VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, INC. OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY QUARTERLY TTY STATUS REPORT January 15,2003

Valley Telecommunications Company, Inc. ("Valley") filed a Petition for Waiver of the TTY requirements on June 27, 2002 ("Petition"). The Petition addressed the status of Valley's efforts to comply with the TTY requirements. The Petition remains pending before the Commission.

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In its Petition, Valley reported that in order to make its system TTY-compatible, the company must upgrade its **TDMA** Nortel switch from a base software load MTX08 to base software load MTX10. Because of the high cost of making such **an** upgrade and the possibility of migrating to another technology in the near future, Valley requested an extension until December 31.2003 to comply with the FCC's TTY rules.

Valley has decided to move forward with upgrading its **TDMA** switch and has installed the enabling software load, MTXIO. The company anticipates turning on the TTY feature and being in compliance with the FCC's TTY rules before the next reporting deadline of April 15th 2003.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virgi Barnard
Contract & Compliance Manager